

VIRGINIA: At the Continued & Combined Meeting of the Board of Supervisors and the Bland County School Board held at the Bland School Board Office, Bland, Virginia, on the fifth day of June, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Henry Blessing, Karen Hodock, Randy Johnson, Nick Asbury

ABSENT: None

SCHOOL BOARD: Sandra Harman, Jerri Harman

ABSENT: Roger Morehead, Rob Brizendine

ALSO PRESENT: Eric Workman, County Administrator; Sharon May, Deputy Clerk; Rodney Ratliff, Deputy Administrator, Debbie French, School Board Clerk, Chris Stacy, School Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Randy Johnson called the June 5, 2014; Board of Supervisors' combined meeting to order.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO FLAG

The invocation was offered by Dr. Eric Workman. Mr. Johnson, Chairman, led the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the meeting agenda as presented was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Vote passed unanimously.

DR. WORKMAN BUDGET PRESENTATION

Dr. Eric Workman made a presentation concerning the Commonwealth of Virginia budget; there was discussion of lack of a state budget, decrease in county real estate values, and increase in composite index for schools, school board budget revenue shortfall. Dr. Workman also stated that direction is needed regarding the budget for the county and school staff to prepare for the FY2014-2015 and future years.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

Mr. Johnson opened the Public Hearing to receive public comment concerning the school board budget.

The following people spoke in favor of school consolidation: Tim Havens, Sherri Hull, Vicki Spurgeon, Phillip Buttery, Maria Taylor, Tiffany Carter, Rachelle Whipp, Elizabeth Faulkner, Tony Kennedy, and Adam Kidd.

The following people spoke in opposition of school consolidation: John Dodson, Colene Pauley and Guy Boone.

Mr. Johnson closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Asbury thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Blessing added that all business conducted by the Board of Supervisors is public record.

ADJOURNMENT

*****MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

Randy Johnson, Chairman

Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board